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COMMITTEE (NJCEC) MEETING; MARCH 26-27, 1974

REF: AC/270-A/15

I. NATO SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM - PHASE II

ORAL REPORT BY DG, NICSMA: COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

II. NICS PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION

(A) ORAL PROJECT PROGRESS REPORTS: PLEASE HAVE COPIES
OF REPORTS AVAILABLE FOR DISCUSSION DURING MARCH 25 US
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(B) SAMSO PRESENTATION - SATCOM PHASE III: COMMENT AS

APPROPRIATE.

(C) EXERCISE OF OPTION FOR SATCOM III SPACECRAFT: YOU SHOULD CONCUR IN RECOMMENDATION PARA V OF NICSMA-D/40.

(D) DIGITALIZATION IN NATO COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS: YOU SHOULD NOTE VERBAL UPDATING, AND COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

(E) CRYPTO SECURITY FOR THE SATCOM SYSTEM: YOU SHOULD CONCUR IN RECOMMENDATION PARA 14 OF NICSMA (R/74)1.

(F) PROVISION OF THE INITIAL VOICE SWITCHED NETWORK: YOU SHOULD NOTE STATUS REPORT, AND COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

(G) CONTROL OF MESSAGE TRAFFIC: YOU SHOULD CONCUR IN SUGGESTION IN PARA 3 OF AC/270-D/114.

III. ARRANGEMENTS FOR MANAGEMENT, OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF THE NICS.

A. WE AGREE WITH CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS IN PARAS 22 AND 23 OF NICSMA-D/32(FINAL). US CAN ACCEPT SHARED RESPONSIBILITY OF NJCEC/NICSMA AND NICS CENTRAL OPERATING AUTHORITY (NICS-COA) AS PROPOSED BY CHAIRMAN IN NAC 3025, SUBJECT TO AGREEMENT INDICATED IN US STATEMENT. ON COMPOSITION OF NICS-UAG (USERS ADVISORY GROUP), YOU SHOULD AGREE WITH MACBRIEN VIEW AS INDICATED IN NAC 3025. AT AN APPROPRIATE POINT DURING DISCUSSION, YOU SHOULD MAKE FOLLOWING STATEMENT:

THE UNITED STATES APPRECIATES THE EXTENSIVE EFFORT THAT HAS BEEN PUT FORTH BY THE WORKING GROUP IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CONCEPT. IT IS RECOGNIZED THAT THE WORKING GROUP FACED THE DIFFICULT TASK OF ATTEMPTING TO BALANCE THE REQUIREMENT FOR ACHIEVEMENT OF EFFECTIVENESS AND EFFICIENCY THROUGH CENTRALIZED MANAGEMENT WITH THE REQUIREMENT, STATED BY THE MAJOR NATO COMMANDERS, THAT THE ARRANGEMENT MUST BE SUCH THAT THEY WOULD OPERATE, MAINTAIN AND CONTROL THE COMMUNICATIONS SERVING THEM.
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THIS TASK HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED IN AN ADMIRABLE MANNER FOR SYSTEMS THAT ARE NOT DEPENDENT UPON STORED PROGRAM NETWORK OPERATIONS.

THE MO AND M CONCEPT, AS OUTLINED IN ANNEX B, D/32, WOULD BE ADEQUATE UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE STORED PROGRAM SWITCHED NETWORKS ARE IMPLEMENTED. WHEN THIS OCCURS, THE CONCEPT IS INADEQUATE FOR TWO REASONS:

(A) CENTRALIZED CONTROL FROM THE COA DOWN THE CHAIN THROUGH THE ROCS AND OTHER SUBORDINATE CONTROL ELEMENTS IS NOT CLEARLY ESTABLISHED IN SUCH A WAY AS TO INSURE NETWORK INTEGRITY.

(B) THERE ARE FUNCTIONS INVOLVED IN THE "OPERATING CONTROL" MISSION WHICH THE COA CANNOT PERFORM WITHOUT THE CONTINUING PARTICIPATION OF NICSMA. THIS PROBLEM IS A RESULT OF THE FACT THAT ENGINEERING SUPPORT AND/OR SOFTWARE EXPERTISE WILL OFTEN BE REQUIRED IN THE

IMMEDIATE RESOLUTION OF NETWORK OR SYSTEM PROBLEMS.

IN THIS REGARD, THE UNITED STATES HAS PREPARED AN AMENDED VERSION OF "SYSTEM AVAILABILITY AND OPERATION," PORTION OF ANNEX C (BEING HAND CARRIED BY US DEL). THIS AMENDED VERSION REFLECTS THOSE FUNCTIONS WHICH WOULD REQUIRE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF NICSMA IN THE OPERATING CONTROL MISSION. WHILE RECOGNIZING THAT WE ARE NOT BEING ASKED TO APPROVE ANNEX C, WE WISH TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT THE ASSIGNMENT OF FUNCTIONS SHOWN IN THE AMENDED VERSION IS CONSIDERED ESSENTIAL. SUBJECT TO RECOGNITION OF THIS BY THE COMMITTEE, THE UNITED STATES CAN APPROVE ANNEX B FOR PLANNING PURPOSES. FURTHER ACTION SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN TO DEFINE THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE DOA AND SUBORDINATE CONTROL ELEMENTS TO ELIMINATE AMBIGUITY AND INSURE NETWORK INTEGRITY.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE URGENCY OF THIS MATTER, WE RECOMMEND THAT A DOCUMENT CLARIFYING RELATIONSHIPS BE CONSIDERED BY THE JCEWG PRIOR TO SUBMISSION TO THE POLICY COMMITTEE FOR APPROVAL OUT OF SESSION.

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THE UNITED STATES FEELS THAT ALL THE RELATED ACTIONS, SUCH AS THE TORS, DEVELOPMENT OF MANNING DOCUMENTS, ETC., SHOULD PROGRESS CONCURRENTLY.

B. IF THE US VIEW ON CONCEPT IS NOT SUPPORTED THE US SHOULD INDICATE THAT THE ONLY ALTERNATIVE IS THAT THE CONTROLLER NICS-COA BE MADE DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE TO D.G. NICSMA.

IV. MARITIME SATCOM III INTEROPERABILITY: YOU SHOULD NOTE VERBAL UPDATINGS AND COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

V. SATCOM CONTINGENCY PLANNING. REPORT OF THE SCCPG: YOU SHOULD CONCUR IN PARAGRAPHS 3, 4 AND 8 AS RECOMMENDED

IN PARA 13 OF AC/270-D/115. APPROVAL OF PARA 2 IS
WITHHELD DUE TO NON RECEIPT OF PROPOSED MOU.

VI. ANNUAL REPORT TO THE NAC/DPC. YOU SHOULD APPROVE
ANNEX TO AC/270-WP/2.

VII. ANY OTHER BUSINESS: YOU SHOULD DECIDE ON POSITIONS
TO BE TAKEN UNDER THIS ITEM DURING MONDAY'S US ONLY
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